1	2	3	4	5
Southern Region :				
ANDHRA PRADESH	1450	1227	223	15.4%
KARNATAKA	1450	846	604	41.7%
KERALA	565	442	123	21 8%
TAMIL NADU	1430	1216	214	15.0%
TOTAL (S.R.) :	4895	3731	1164	23 8%
Eastern Region :				
BIHAR . . . . . 6 .	450	383	67	14.9%
D.V.C.	620	577	43	6.9%
ORISSA	660	518	142	21.5%
WEST BENGAL	665	620	45	6 8%
TOTAL (.E.R) :	2395	2098	297	12 4%
N. Eastern Region :	182	169	13	7 1%
ALL INDIA	18406	15874	2532	13 8%

LPG licences for rural and semi-urban areas of Bihar

3545. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to issue more LPG licences for rural and semi-urban areas of Bihar during the year 1988-89 and 1989-90 so as to extend the LPG facility to the rural areas of the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the number of dealers going to be appointed along with the names of the places, district-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) to (c) The oil industry is normally taking up, in a phased manner, locations in the country, including the State of Bihar, with a population of around 20,000 and above (as per 1981 Census) which offer sufficient potential for viable marketing of LPG. Subject to the above, there is no proposal for marketing of LPG in rural and semi-urban areas as such.

More powers to States for setting up new industries

3546. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to give more powers to States in the matter of giving licences for setting up new industries;

(b) if so, what are the salient features thereof; and

(c) what are the powers given to the State Government of Bihar in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.